

GEN. CHAFFEE TAKES COMMAND

FORMALLY IN CHARGE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE EAST.

Salute of 13 Guns the Only Ceremony—Mrs. Chaffee Ill After Long Residence in Manila—General Thinks a Strong Hand Necessary in the Philippines.

A salute of thirteen guns at 9 o'clock yesterday morning was the only ceremony when Major-Gen. Adna R. Chaffee assumed command of the Department of the East.

Gen. Chaffee got to Governors Island at midnight on Wednesday. He and Mrs. Chaffee went to the house of one of the General's staff, as the headquarters where the General will make his home is undergoing repairs. Mrs. Chaffee, whose health was poor during her residence in Manila, was confined to her bed with a cold yesterday.

Gen. Chaffee went to his office after breakfast yesterday, accompanied by Capt. Lindsey, one of his aides, and Col. Barry, who has been in charge of the island since Gen. Brooke was retired. Here a mass of correspondence was awaiting his attention and this occupied him until lunch time.

Speaking of the situation in the Philippines Gen. Chaffee said:

I do not consider that a state of insurrection exists there. Since the decisive victory of our troops at Malibon last spring there has been nothing like an organized opposition to the government. I saw in a newspaper as I came upon the island that a band of bad men had attacked the constabulary in Leyte and had killed and wounded several.

In Leyte and in Samar the highlanders who make war against the government are particularly bold. This system of brigandage has existed in the islands for many years and it will be some time before it will be entirely stamped out. An efficient constabulary will end it in time.

We have now in the Philippines a constabulary force of 4,000 men. I am not in a position to speak of the efficiency of the constabulary. Well armed and well directed it is a force which should compel peace and order.

Where provinces have been compelled to deliver up their outlaws and the prisoners have been treated as they should be the constabulary has had no trouble in other provinces. In the island of Leyte some 600 bandits were delivered up. They were simply loaded to come in, and when they were in our hands they were not punished. What is the result? They do not trouble us and return to their old practices. They are the sort of people who must be forced to respect law and order.

The trouble in Leyte is that the constabulary is not strong enough. The Government has not been able to maintain a force of 4,000 men. I am not in a position to speak of the efficiency of the constabulary. Well armed and well directed it is a force which should compel peace and order.

One of Gen. Chaffee's aides, Capt. Ramsey, is of the way here from Manila on the transport "Mellish," which is due on Dec. 1. Gen. Chaffee's four-year-old daughter is on the "Mellish." She will attend a private school in New York. Gen. Chaffee's father, a naval officer, is an instructor at West Point and his son, is a cadet at the Military Academy.

In all probability Gen. Chaffee will be a New Yorker for the rest of his time in active service. He will be retired by the age limit in April, 1903, so he has three years and six months to serve.

PROF. CALDWELL RESIGNS.

One of Six Old Professors of Cornell Who Will Have Retired by June Next.

ITHACA, N. Y., Nov. 21.—After a service with Cornell University which began almost with the founding of the institution in 1868, Prof. G. C. Caldwell, head of the department of chemistry, tendered his resignation to-day and it was accepted by that body and will take effect immediately.

Prof. Caldwell was 58 years old and under the rules recently adopted he would have had two years to serve before being retired under the age limit, which was fixed at 70 years. He was the first professor appointed by Cornell at a time when the sciences of agricultural chemistry was first becoming known.

Prof. Caldwell will not sever his connection with Cornell, but will be special lecturer in chemistry until June 1, 1903, with duties to be assigned by President Schurman.

The resignation of Prof. Caldwell, coming as it does closely on the heels of that of Dean Fuertes, illustrates how the old professors, who have been here for years are giving up their hard labors to younger men. By June, 1903, six of the best-known professors will either have retired under the age limit or will have resigned.

These men are Francis L. Finch, dean of the college of law and former Justice of the Court of Appeals; L. J. Roberts, director of the college of agriculture; Hiram Corson, head of the department of English literature; and Charles Mellen Tyler, professor of religion and Christian ethics, retired, and Dean Fuertes of the civil engineering department and Prof. Caldwell, resigned.

OBITUARY.

George W. Ryon, the theatrical manager and playwright, died on Thursday night of Bright's disease at his home, 75 Bond Street, Brooklyn, in his 72nd year. He was a native of New York and had been in the theatrical business for many years.

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The two sisters, Mrs. Ryon and Mrs. Ryon, were both married to George W. Ryon. They were both married to George W. Ryon. They were both married to George W. Ryon.

George H. Winters, a retired bus manufacturer of Williamsburg, died yesterday in his sixty-sixth year at his home at 125 South Street. He was born in Germany and came to America when he was a young man. He was a member of the German-American Society and the German-American Club.

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The Rev. James J. Barden, S. P. M., died at the rectory of the church of St. John the Evangelist on Wednesday. He was a native of New York and had been a minister for many years.

John A. Shawda, a former Jersey City Alderman, died yesterday at his home, 308 Varick Street. He was a native of New York and had been a resident of Jersey City for many years.

John H. Meach, manager of the Academy Theatre in Buffalo from 1870 to 1880, died in that city yesterday at the age of 60 years.

Persons with money and brains to spend wisely. Therefore, if you're anything at all that's worth buying, advertise in THE SUN.—Ad.

HARD WORKING BURGLARS.

Logged a Truck Load of General Dry Goods Through a Narrow Opening.

Three of Capt. Titus's detectives and several men from the Eldridge street station are investigating a burglary which occurred on Wednesday night in the dry-goods store of Steinhart & Strasbourger at 283-5 Grand street. The store occupies the ground floor and basement. The yard in the rear of the house is on a level with the basement floor. The windows looking out upon it are narrow and have heavy iron bars. Tenements surround the yard on all sides.

Max Steinhart, senior member of the firm, was the first to arrive on Thursday morning, reaching the place about 8 o'clock. He found everything in the store overturned and a trail of dropped articles leading to one of the basement windows in the rear, two of the iron bars of which had been sawed through.

Steinhart immediately notified Capt. Hogan of the Eldridge street station. The next thing he did was to take an inventory of the stock. This showed, according to Store Manager Meyer, \$14,000 worth of goods had disappeared, enough Mr. Meyer said, to fill a two-horse wagon. Further, Steinhart said yesterday that the loss to the firm amounted to \$20,000 "or more." Capt. Titus thought it impossible that the thieves could have got away with more than \$1,000 or \$1,500 worth of goods.

The police said yesterday, after looking over the place, that the thieves must have taken the stuff out through the narrow opening in the basement window and then carried it across the yard and through the hallway of one of the adjoining tenements to either Allen or Eldridge street.

If they chose the Eldridge street side, which was the more probable, they must have had their truck waiting for them right in front of the Twelfth precinct police station.

Manager Meyer said that a light is kept burning in the store every night and that a watchman is employed to guard it.

MUST SUPPORT ANOTHER'S WIFE. That's the predicament the composer of "The Merry Widow" is in.

The mixed marital relations of Paul Barnes, who wrote "Dolly Gray," and other songs, were tangled up still further yesterday afternoon when he appeared before Magistrate Pool in the West Side police court to give bonds to pay his wife, Nellie Adelaide, \$11 a week.

Mr. Barnes, who is known on the stage as George F. Fager, was arrested two weeks ago and arraigned in the Yorkville police court on a charge of non-support. Fager set up in defense a Chicago divorce, which Magistrate Pool decided was not good.

Magistrate Pool then ordered the song writer to pay the \$11.

When the matter came before Magistrate Pool again yesterday Patrick J. O'Brien, counsel for Fager, wanted to reopen the case on the strength of new evidence. A man whose name he would not tell had read of the case against Fager, he said, and recognized the complainant as the woman to whom he was married in 1887.

John F. Steen, a visit to the vital statistics at the Health Department, Mr. O'Brien said, confirmed this story. The first husband, he added, was about to bring an action for divorce against Mrs. Fager, naming Fager as the respondent.

Magistrate Pool thought that he had no right to reopen the case after having made an order against Fager, but finally gave Mr. O'Brien a week to submit the evidence in the question. Fager gave bonds to pay his wife the \$11 a week.

MME. SCHUMANN-HEINK HERE. Why she couldn't bring her daughter back to Bryn Mawr.

Mme. Schumann-Heink arrived in this city yesterday on the Graf Waldersee. She was accompanied by her husband, Paul Schumann.

"I had to leave my American daughter behind this year," Mme. Schumann-Heink said yesterday, "to take care of the rest of my brothers and sisters who are at home. Two of them are not at home. But six are, and as I had lost my husband, I had to stay behind to look after them. My daughter was anxious to come back to Bryn Mawr to study medicine."

Mrs. Schumann-Heink's most important new role at the Metropolitan this year will be the blind woman in "La Gioconda."

STOPS ASH COLLECTIONS. Hotels and Business Houses Must Move Their Own, Major Woodbury Orders.

Commissioner Woodbury of the Street Cleaning Department has directed that until he can procure the additional plant and equipment, for which appropriations have been made by the Board of Estimate and the Aldermen, no more ashes shall be collected by his department from hotels, restaurants and large business houses.

The owners of these buildings will have to provide for the carting of ashes to the dumps by their own carts.

It will be about two months before the new equipment can be secured. Bids for the new plants will be opened on Dec. 4.

PAY LOSSES IN SPECULATION. Verdict for \$20,000 Against a Customer of Phillips in Chicago.

GALESBURG, Ill., Nov. 21.—Ulich Kne, as trustee for George H. Phillips, got a judgment in the Circuit Court here to-day for \$20,000 against J. A. Baird, a rich farmer of Cox county. The judgment is for the full amount of losses sustained by Mr. Baird in the speculation in wheat.

Mr. Baird admitted the bet, but endeavored to evade payment on the ground that it was incurred in a gambling transaction.

New Bank in Queens Borough. Albany, Nov. 21.—State Superintendent of Banks Frederick D. Kilburn to-day authorized the Bank of Long Island of the borough of Queens to begin the transaction of a discount and deposit banking business. The new bank's charter permits it to keep one or more branch offices in New York city for customers. The bank has a capital of \$100,000 and is to proceed immediately to increase this amount to \$200,000. Three other banks on Long Island about Jan. 1 will be merged into it. The directors are V. Everit Macy of Secaucus, Alexander H. Rutherford of Ramsey, J. Samuel J. Smith and George P. Bergen of Freeport, George D. Gregory of Brooklyn, Nelson C. Thrall of Larchmont and Eugene D. Hawkins of New York city.

New Union Club Won't Be Done by Dec. 1. The new home of the Union Club at Fifth street and Fifth avenue, has been so much delayed in building by strikes that it will not be ready for occupancy on Dec. 1, when the new owners of the present club house at Fifth avenue and Twenty-first street were to take possession.

A Sermon by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise. Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of Portland, Ore., preached in Temple Israel last night on "Loyalty to Israel." He said it was the duty of the Jews to think less of old forms and ceremonies of rabbinic origin and more of the faith taught by the prophets.

Guests of Whitelaw Reid. Sir Michael Herbert, the British Ambassador, and Lady Herbert are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Whitelaw Reid at Ophir Farm, White Plains. Miss Roosevelt is also in the house party.

PIANOS AND ORGANS.

STEINWAY PIANOS

In conformity to their annual custom Steinway & Sons this day place on exhibition in their showrooms in the

WINDSOR ARCADE, Fifth Avenue and 46th Street, Twelve Pianos in Art-Cases

After original designs as specimens of their decorative work. Among these are several instruments specially ordered and exhibited by permission of their owners.

TRADE IN CANCELLED STAMPS

MISSIONARIES IN CHINA BUY CHILDREN WITH THEM.

Many Soaked Off Envelopes by Little Sisters of the Poor and Sent to Orient. Whence, Perhaps, They Return. Cleaned and Regummed, Ready to Be Used Again.

For many years the United States postal authorities and others have heard rumors that somebody was willing to pay a fabulous amount for 1,000,000 cancelled postage stamps. The somebody has never been definitely named, but it has been vaguely stated that the proceeds of the stamps would be devoted to charity and that some wealthy individual would pay the premium.

Perhaps an episode brought to light in Newark may shed a little light upon the matter. Yesterday Postal Inspector J. L. Cortelyou, a brother of President Roosevelt's secretary, and United States Marshal John Gariside, of Newark, arrested in that city Henry Boisseau, a Frenchman, 70 years old, who is an inmate of the Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor. Boisseau is a veteran of three wars.

His arrest was brought about by a salvo manufacturer in this city who notified the postal authorities that he had agreed to exchange postage stamps for salvoes to use upon his feet. Salvoes were sent to him and washed stamps were received in exchange.

The old man was then arrested and the salvoes in the home were retained. At least 50,000 stamps were found soaking in a wash tub.

The Mother Superior of the institution said that Boisseau had nothing to do with the collection of these stamps, but that he and other aged inmates were employed to soak them from the envelopes, dry them and arrange them for shipment to China where they brought a good price and were highly esteemed for making a higher grade of paper.

Boisseau said yesterday that he did not know that he was doing anything wrong in offering cancelled stamps for salvoes. He had been told that he was doing a good deed and was highly esteemed for making a higher grade of paper.

Lawyer Michael T. Barrett went upon his knees and begged Boisseau to stop. An examination will be held on Dec. 6.

The sisters said that the stamps had a high value in the eyes of the Chinese and that they had been told that they were doing a good deed and were highly esteemed for making a higher grade of paper.

It had been suspected that the stamps were being used for salvoes. The postal authorities have never been able to prove a case.

BLACKMAILER FINDS A FRIEND

Chief of Police Murphy Will Try to Help Him—Denies Writing Moody Letter.

Bothe Strubel, the seventeen-year-old ship's cook who came to grief in Hoboken on Wednesday, has found a friend in Chief of Police Murphy of Jersey City, to whom he confessed that he wrote the blackmailing letters to wealthy men in this city and in Jersey City, commanding them to assist a band of bloodthirsty Russian nihilists in need of funds or run the risk of having their careers cut short by poison.

The Chief said last night that he will do what he can consistently to get the boy out of his trouble.

"I have taken a decided liking to the kid," said the Chief. "There is something about him that would get almost anybody's confidence. I am going to write to-morrow to the boy's father, who is a chief of police in one of the suburbs of Hamburg, explaining how his son yielded to temptation when he was hard up and tried to make some easy money. Strubel will be arraigned in the Second Division to-morrow and will be remanded to the county jail until I can get a reply from his father. Then we will see what can be done to save the kid from further punishment. We might find somebody who would be willing to give him a job."

Strubel asked the Chief to help him not to send him from the city prison to the county jail because he wanted to stay near the Chief.

Detective Prescott of Jersey City got a registered letter at the New York Post Office yesterday which came to Strubel from Germany. It contains a document showing that an express company has forwarded a trunk to the boy from his mother. The trunk is at Aumlein, Baldwin Co.'s express office, at 53 Broadway. It is filled with clothes. As \$7.70 is due for express charges young Strubel was unable to send for it.

Detective Carroll of Brooklyn visited Jersey City police headquarters yesterday to ascertain if Strubel had been released from the threatening letter received by Leonard Moody, a real estate dealer of 20 Court Street, Brooklyn, calling upon him to hand up \$1,500 or be poisoned or sandbagged. Strubel denied sending the letter and said that he had not been in Jersey City for some time.

Carroll and Chief Murphy failed to find any resemblance between the writing in the Moody letter and the letters which the youth admitted that he wrote. Murphy said he was convinced that Strubel had a cheap imitation in somebody who had probably read of the ship's cook's blackmailing scheme.

The Weather. The storm from the Southwest was moving inland yesterday. The centre was over Arizona and New Mexico moving northward, preceded by showers and threatening conditions in all the Central States. The rainfall was generally light; cloudy weather extended over the Lake regions, and it was also cloudy in the greater part of the Atlantic States. Fair weather prevailed throughout the Northwest.

There was no general storm to be looked for in this section, and there was no construction of new water works must be commenced—before the day was over. The day was fair and somewhat warmer, with fresh southeasterly average wind, 72 per cent. barometer, corrected to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30.10; 8 P. M., 30.06.

The temperature yesterday, as taken by the official thermometers, and also by the Sun's thermometer at the sea level, is shown in the annexed table.

For New England, eastern New York, eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, partly cloudy and continued warm to day and to-morrow; light southerly winds.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland, Delaware and Virginia, fair and continued warm to day and to-morrow; light southerly winds.

For western Pennsylvania and western New York, partly cloudy to-day and to-morrow; light to fresh southwest winds.

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